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SUPPLEMENT

Bydgoszcz (Bromberg)

1. Units from Germany arrive in Bydgoszcz (Bromberg) every three months. They are composed of young soldiers who undergo training on German "Panzerfaust" and on 2½ meter-long iron pipes which are supported on the ground by legs and which are carried by two men. After three months of training, these units return to Germany. They are billeted in the former barracks of the 62nd Infantry Regiment in ulica Waresawska (Street) and in barracks in ulica Gdanska (Street); the former hold about 2,000 and the latter barracks 4,000 - 5,000. These figures would correspond with peacetime accommodation facilities.
2. Soviet headquarters are located in the building of the former Cadet School. A whole block of school buildings in the center of the town is also occupied by some military headquarters. This block is surrounded by a high fence behind which Soviet officers, NCO's, and Soviet women in uniform can be seen. In September 1945, this block of buildings was occupied by a hospital. The town major's office is in Plac Wolnosci.
3. The Bydgoszcz (Bromberg) railroad bridge is guarded by Soviet units. The officer in charge of the railroad station is a Soviet.

Fordon

4. The bridge at Fordon has been temporarily repaired and is guarded by Soviet units.

Kisztrzyn

5. At Kisztrzyn only one track across the railroad bridge is in commission. A wooden bridge has been erected for pedestrians, which is guarded by Poles on the eastern bank of the Oder and by the Red Army on its western bank.

Zabkowice (Frankenstein)

6. Soviet infantry which was billeted in Zabkowice (Frankenstein) in Lower Silesia left the garrison on 14 June 1946 and was transferred to the Soviet Zone of Occupation in Germany.
7. There are motor-car and motorcycle repair workshops in ulica Kladzka (Glatz) and ulica Dolno-Slaska (Lower Silesia Street); Soviets, German, and Poles are

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employed there.

Zagorze

5. A tank unit, with tanks of the T-34 and Sherman types, is billeted in the western quarter of the town.

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